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**RE: 10/736,114**  
**APPLICANT: TATE, GERARD**

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Gerard J. Tate

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Title: FASTENER FOR USE  
WITH SHOES

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 27, 2005, please amend the  
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